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Baker-Polito Administration Awards \$7.9 Million in Workforce Training Grants

Danvers, MA – The Baker-Polito Administration today awarded \$7.9 million in workforce training fund grants to 111 Massachusetts companies for training over 5,243 workers and creating an expected 522 new jobs.

"Workforce training grants invest in the strength of our workers and Massachusetts's labor market," said Governor Charlie Baker. "We are pleased these funds can assist workers in developing the skills they need to advance their careers and help businesses foster an employment pool which better matches their growth needs."

Lieutenant Governor Karen Polito added, "One of the most exciting aspects of these grants is that they not only lead to increased pay for workers but also often result in new hiring from the employers who participate."

The Workforce Training Fund provides grants of up to \$250,000 to companies in Massachusetts to pay for employee training over a two-year period. Grants are awarded to projects that will upgrade workers' skills, increase productivity, and enhance the competitiveness of Massachusetts businesses. Grants are matched dollar-for-dollar by the award recipients.

The **Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, Ronald L. Walker, II** noted, "This fund helps ensure businesses remain competitive in an increasingly globalized employment environment. By focusing on developing the skill sets of our workers today, we ensure that they have access to the jobs of tomorrow." The Workforce Training Fund is a program of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and is administered by Commonwealth Corporation, a quasi-public state agency that fosters partnerships between industry, education, and workforce organizations. Commonwealth Corporation President & CEO Nancy Snyder said "This morning's event is an ideal opportunity to highlight the success of our hosts and announce the latest round of Workforce Training Fund grants to businesses for customized training in everything from lean manufacturing to customer service; from computer skills to leadership development."

The announcement event was held at the Danvers campus of North Shore Community College. The **President of North Shore Community College, Patricia Gentile**, remarked, "Today's event is a celebration of the many successful partnerships between our local businesses and North Shore Community College's Corporate Training Solutions team. The investment of the Workforce Training Fund has made it possible for this community of learning to thrive."

The Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and Commonwealth Corporation hopes to encourage businesses to address workforce training needs through the Workforce Training Fund. Interested parties are encouraged to visit WorkforceTrainingFund.org to learn more.

The following is a complete list of the grant recipients awarded Workforce Training Fund Grants today (listed by community).

Acton

Geocomp Corporation was awarded \$38,150 to train 16 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Andover

Black Diamond Networks was awarded \$154,000 to train 160 workers, 23 additional jobs expected by 2019. This was a consortium that includes American Personnel Inc. of Boston.

Arlington

American Alarm and Communications Inc. was awarded \$116,300 to train 175 workers, 7 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Auburn

Consolidated Fabricators was awarded \$96,370 to train 55 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Ayer

Catania Spagna Corporation was awarded \$229,170 to train 56 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Belchertown

Arrow Machine was awarded \$26,420 to train 6 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Bellingham

Algonquin Industries was awarded \$89,900 to train 72 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Beverly

Microline Surgical Inc. was awarded \$74,200 to train 20 workers.

Billerica

ATI Flowform Products was awarded \$52,800 to train 48 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Boston

Acoustic Technology Inc. was awarded \$48,800 to train 34 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Bergmeyer Associates was awarded \$27,650 to train 29 workers, 3 additional new jobs expected by 2019.

BSC Companies was awarded \$176,300 to train 45 workers, 20 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Lenox-Martell, Inc. was awarded \$125,300 to train 70 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Massachusetts Association for Community Action (MASSCAP) was awarded \$27,368 to train 98 workers. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which includes: Berkshire Community Action; Community Action of the Franklin, Hampshire, & North Quabbin Regions; Springfield Partners for Community Action; Valley Opportunity Council; Worcester Community Action Council, Inc.

PerkinElmer Health Sciences was awarded \$155,250 to train 135 workers.

Sea-Dar Enterprises, Inc. was awarded \$58,400 to train 60 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Urban Eye MD Associates was awarded \$64,825 to train 8 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Braintree

Kevin P. Martin & Associates was awarded \$78,118 to train 67 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Ultra Electronics Ocean Systems Inc. was awarded \$59,405 to train 47 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Burlington

Electric Supply Center was awarded \$72,152 to train 74 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Canton

Phoenix Electric Group was awarded \$134,400 to train 46 workers, 6 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Unicom Engineering was awarded \$178,863 to train 110 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Chelsea

Designers Choice was awarded \$36,270 to train 22 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Signature Breads was awarded \$137,240 to train 68 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Chicopee

MicroTek, Inc. was awarded \$123,770 to train 120 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

National Vinyl LLC was awarded \$28,800 to train 23 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Poly-Plating Inc. was awarded \$41,000 to train 12 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Danvers

Neurologica Corporation was awarded \$124,800 to train 126 workers, 11 additional jobs expected by 2019.

North Shore Mechanical Contractors, Inc. was awarded \$68,100 to train 28 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Sumaria Systems was awarded \$30,100 to train 17 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

East Bridgewater

Jet Products Corp. was awarded \$39,200 to train 14 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019.

East Longmeadow

Plastipak Packaging, Inc. was awarded \$81,144 to train 20 workers, 7 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Everett

Philbin Insurance Group Inc. was awarded \$50,950 to train 15 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Fall River

Stanley Street Treatment and Recovery (SSTAR) was awarded \$102,660 to train 88 workers, 11 additional workers expected by 2019.

Fitchburg

Avery Dennison Retail Information Services was awarded \$104,512 to train 141 workers, 6 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Workers Credit Union was awarded \$62,400 to train 81 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Great Barrington

Railroad Street Youth Project was awarded \$11,200 to train 17 employees. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which includes: Berkshire United Way of Pittsfield; Berkshire Children & Families, Inc. of Pittsfield; Gladys Allen Brigham Community Center, Inc. of Pittsfield; Northern Berkshire Community Coalition of North Adams.

Hanover

Rustic Marlin Designs LLC. was awarded \$46,400 to train 30 workers, 15 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Holden

Alden Research Laboratory was awarded \$131,600 to train 73 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Holliston

Century-TyWood Manufacturing, Inc. was awarded \$177,665 to train 70 workers, 5 jobs expected by 2019.

Hopkinton

CTS Corporation was awarded \$117,600 to train 38 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Ipswich

KC Precision Manufacturing was awarded \$76,000 to train 26 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Lakeville

Accudynamics was awarded \$167,170 to train 71 employees, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Lawrence

Aerospace Semiconductor Inc. was awarded \$16,992 to train 4 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Leominster

Mexichem Specialty Compounds was awarded \$122,400 to train 153 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Montachusett Home Care Corporation was awarded \$28,201 to train 20 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Lowell

Precise Industries was awarded \$12,600 to train 8 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Rapid Micro Biosystems, Inc. was awarded \$145,750 to train 73 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

WinnResidential Limited Partnership was awarded \$114,400 to train 76 workers.

Manchester-by-the-Sea

Gurley Eye Care Associates was awarded \$67,300 to train 12 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Mansfield

Lacerta Group, Inc. was awarded \$64,700 to train 157 workers, 20 additional jobs expected by 2019.

NexDine LLC was awarded \$13,800 to train 75 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Marlborough

Hologic Inc. was awarded \$50,050 to train 82 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Natick

Dacon Corporation was awarded \$40,300 to train 38 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Landry's Inc. was awarded \$73,900 train 40 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

New Bedford

New Bedford Chamber of Commerce was awarded \$66,528 to train 23 workers, 24 additional jobs expected by 2019. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which includes: New England Electropolishing of Fall River, IZ Schwartz Appliance Warehouse of Somerset, DG Service Co. of Mattapoisett, Glassman Services Inc. (d/b/a ServPro) of New Bedford, Medical Equipment Dynamics Inc. of New Bedford, Perfect Pizza Inc. (d/b/a Domino's Pizza) of Mattapoisett, Paul and Dixon Insurance Agency of New Bedford, TrueBounce Inc. of New Bedford, IG Marston Co. of Holbrook, and Synecti Corporation of North Dighton.

Newbury

Crystal Engineering was awarded \$81,600 to train 28 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Newburyport

Turning Point, Inc. was awarded \$94,800 to train 64 workers, 16 additional jobs expected by 2019.

North Attleboro

Mini-Systems Inc. was awarded \$30,800 to train 81 workers.

Norwell

Bluestone Energy Services, LLC was awarded \$100,090 to train 43 workers, 22 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Norwood

Eye Care Specialists was awarded a grant for \$65,815 to train 11 workers.

Gaston Electrical Company was awarded \$146,670 to train 65 workers, 35 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Professional Electrical Contractors of Connecticut Inc. was awarded \$161,100 to train 38 workers, 15 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Peabody

East Boston Savings Bank was awarded \$140,000 to train 276 workers, 20 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Quality Support Group Inc. was awarded \$11,200 to train 4 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Quincy

Quincy Credit Union was awarded \$29,975 to train 70 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Randolph

Randolph Engineering Inc. was awarded \$177,950 to train 66 workers, 9 additional jobs expected by 2019.

South Dennis

Rogers & Gray Insurance Agency, Inc. was awarded \$210,576 to train 122 employees, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

South Hadley

Knight Machine and Tool Company, Inc. was awarded \$56,465 to train 23 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Southborough

Device Technologies was awarded \$53,230 to train 22 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Southbridge

Karl Storz Endoscopy America, Inc. was awarded \$178,713 to train 152 workers, 5 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Springfield

Boulevard Machine & Gear Inc. was awarded \$49,660 to train 16 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Townsend

Bailey's Bar and Grille LLC was awarded \$63,550 to train 62 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Wakefield

North Suburban Eye Associates was awarded \$65,815 to train 9 employees, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Waltham

Middlesex Human Service Agency was awarded \$112,850 to train 195 workers.

Watertown

Fresh Tilled Soil was awarded \$11,300 to train 8 workers, 4 additional jobs expected in 2019.

Tech Device Corporation was awarded \$208,800 to train 54 workers, 6 additional jobs expected in 2019.

West Wareham

Medical Research Networx LLC was awarded \$60,000 to train 11 workers, 3 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Westborough

Energy Federation Inc. was awarded \$162,000 to train 48 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Keamy Eye and Laser Center was awarded \$64,300 to train 6 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Microwave Component & Systems, Inc. was awarded \$27,030 to train 11 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Westfield

Acralube Inc. was awarded \$26,390 to train 6 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Westford

1A Auto Inc. was awarded \$176,258 to train 97 workers, 20 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Westwood

Telamon Insurance and Financial Network was awarded \$82,075 to train 54 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019. This grant was awarded to a consortium of businesses which includes: Telamon Human Capital Resources, LLC of Westwood, and HR Connection, Inc. of Westwood.

Wilmington

United Tool & Machine Corporation was awarded \$150,680 to train 25 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Woburn

Ultra Electronics Herley was awarded \$119,400 to train 26 workers, 1 additional job expected by 2019.

Worcester

Curtis Industries was awarded \$72,610 to train 42 workers, 6 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Ginseng Up Corporation was awarded \$43,160 to train 22 workers, 2 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Primetals Technologies USA LLC was awarded \$227,800 to train 173 workers, 10 additional jobs expected by 2019.

Slideways, Inc. was awarded \$45,800 to train 21 workers, 4 additional jobs expected by 2019.

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